

Stith. H. Meads will
In the name of God I Stith. H. Mead of
Lincoln County in the State of Tennessee in com-
mon health and of sound mind and memory do
make and ordain this my last will and Testament
and do dispose of my estate personal and real in the
following manner namely I bequeath to my beloved
wife Betsey all my Estate real and personal during
life or widowhood unless she agrees for a division
to my four children Lemuel S. Mead, Mary
M. Mead Marcus L. Mead, Susan J. Thompson my
four young Negroes Sarah Dennis Lucy and Tom
I bequeath to my afore named children in Equal
shares the Negroes to be raised and drawn for
the two girls to hold there two, and their bodily
heirs after them I allow my two daughters Mary
M. Mead and Susan J. Thompson to a fifty dollar
share or money in lieu thereof I allow my son
Marcus L. Mead my new bureau I allow the
remainder of my property real and personal after
paying my just debts to be equally divided. It
is my will and desire that Enos Wilson Execute
this my last will and Testament in testimony
whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal
signed sealed and delivered in the presence of
Thomas M. Wilson
Andrew Cashon

Stith ^{his} Mead Seal
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Nancy Whitakers Will
State of Tennessee, Lincoln County, 12th Nov. 1851
I Nancy Whitaker of the County and State afo^r. Knowing all must
die, and being for advanced in life, and low in health at this time
but of sound and disposing mind, do make this my last Will,
I first commit my soul to that God, who gave it, I desire that
my just debts be paid (if any there be)
And it is my will that my Estate be divided between my two sons
Madison & Newton in the following manner (W^{it}); I give to my
son Madison & Whitaker, the following slaves, Betsey aged
35 years, Hercules, aged 10 Andrew 9 Morris 7 & Rhoda 3 years
old, also I give him two cash notes on Robert A. Whitaker, amount-
ing to about four hundred dollars, and four head of my
stock of horses to be of his own choosing
I give and bequeath to my son Newton Whitaker the following
named slaves (W^{it}); Ezekiel aged between fifty five & 60 years
and his wife Susan about 55. Vernetta 16 & her child Caroline 6
months old, Jane aged 14 & Sterling 11 years old, I also give him
a note on Williams Moore for One hundred dollars and interest
and all my stock of every kind not above disposed of, and
I also give to my son Newton all my farming Tools, Hoes,
and kitchen furniture and all other property of which
possessed excepting the notes which I hold on Madison &
Whitaker It is my Will that those notes, as well as the
notes which I hold on Newton Whitaker be given up to him
severally.
I now appoint my son Newton Whitaker my Executor
in testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and
seal this day and date above Nancy Whitaker Seal
In presence of
William Moore
Franklin P. Moore

Proven and admitted to record at the May Term
1852 of the County Court of Lincoln County
George Cunningham Clk